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1. ([] - JMM) Called Representative Lucien Nedzi to say that in view of our conversation yesterday in which he had stated his surprise at some of the information revealed in Newsweek, I thought it would be useful if he could spare the time to meet with Mr. Duckett and get a briefing on some of the subjects touched on in the article. Nedzi said he appreciated this, but his surprise had been due to the fact that Newsweek had so much information rather than the fact that it revealed information that he himself was unaware of. Rather than a private briefing by Mr. Duckett, Nedzi said he hoped to arrange an early meeting where all members of the Subcommittee could get the benefit of the briefing.

I said we were working on a chart which might show more clearly the differences between the old and new arrangements within the community. He said this would be appreciated, but he now thought he had the big picture clear in his mind. What he now wanted were the specific details. I said these hadn't been worked out but we would provide them as soon as possible.

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2. ([] - JMM) In response to his call to [] and after checking with OCI, I called John Goldsmith, Senate Armed Services Committee staff, and explained the current situation in Bangkok.

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3. ([] - JMM) Ed Braswell, Chief Counsel, Senate Armed Services Committee, called to say the Committee briefing would be at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, 23 November. He said the Chairman did not want to advertise a discussion of the announcement regarding the intelligence community, and the Director should not volunteer a briefing on this subject, but should be thoroughly prepared for a number of questions.

Mr. Braswell said the Chairman had decided not to raise with the Attorney General the question of the legality of the changes within the community but Braswell was sure questions would come up on this and he wanted any help we could give him. He noted the National Security Council was a statutory creature and therefore it was only logical that someone would ask whether the new arrangements in the community complied with the provisions and purposes of the statute which set up the NSC. I said we would do the best we could on this and I agreed to come over and talk personally with Braswell at 2:30 this afternoon regarding details.

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4. ([] - GLC) Dick Stuart, State Department INR, called to coordinate State's response to Senator Case's letter of 27 September 1971 inquiring about the status of contracts between the US Government and various aircraft charter companies. I agreed with the language proposed by State with some minor changes.

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5. ([] - JMM) Called Frank Slatinshek, Assistant Chief Counsel, House Armed Services Committee, in response to his query about what had happened in Thailand. I told him I would have an expert get in touch with him and asked Dick Lehman to have [] call Slatinshek directly, which [] did.

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6. ([] - JMM) Met with Ed Braswell, Jack Ticer, John Goldsmith and Jim Woolsey, Senate Armed Services Committee staff, regarding plans for the Director's briefing of the full Committee on Tuesday, 23 November 1971, at 10:00 a.m. See Memo for Record.

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7. ([] - JMM) Met with Senator Peter Dominick and gave him [] material on the Chinese UN delegation, calling his attention to the fact that press stories about the intelligence involvement of the chief delegates appear to be unfounded. Senator Dominick said he might get in touch with us to see how much of the information I provided could be declassified.

Senator Dominick said he would like a briefing on Soviet "satellite killers" and "FOB and MOB" programs. I said I thought the Director might cover these in his briefing of the Armed Services Committee on Tuesday, but if not we would be glad to provide the Senator with a personal briefing.

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8. ([] - JMM) Met with Senator Milton Young who told me of developments in the Appropriations Committee regarding the budgets of members of the intelligence community.

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9. ([] - PLC) A copy of the Agency's personal resume for prospective applicants was delivered to the office of Senator Frank E. Moss (D., Utah). This was in response to a letter from a constituent junior high school teacher for use in a class teaching the correct way to fill out forms and applications.

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